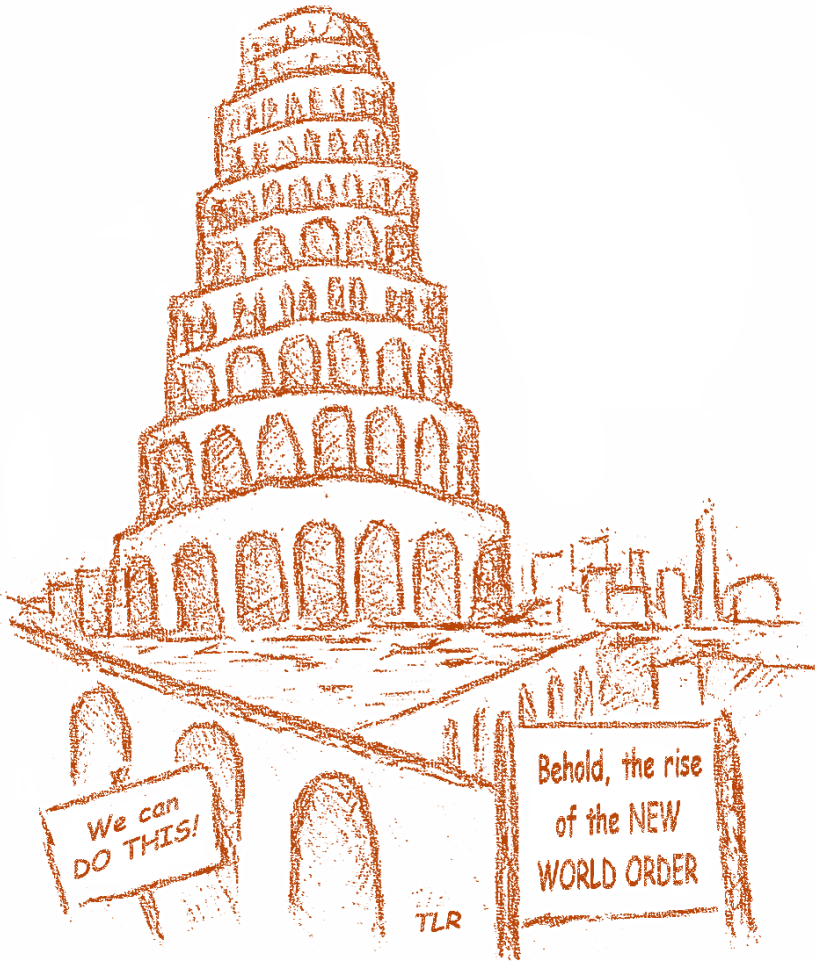


MORE

# SCRIPTURES

*THAT TODAY'S WORLDLY ELITES*

ABHOR



Valley Grace Brethren Church of Armagh, PA

October 13<sup>th</sup>, AD 2024

# THE LORD'S DAY

The Thirteenth Day of October, *in the Year of our Lord* 2024



- ONE · IS · YOUR · MASTER · AND · ALL · YE · ARE · BRETHREN -



Welcome to the worship services of Valley Grace Brethren Church!

## Sunday School—9:30 AM.

In our examination of Church History, we examine some exemplary leaders of the past whose testimony still shines brightly to this very day.

## Morning Worship—10:30 AM.

Call to Worship:\* *“O Worship the King, all Glorious Above”* (#60; v. 1)

Invocation.\*

Hymn: *“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”* (#20).

Prayer for Tithes & Offerings.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51:1-5.

Prayer, Praises, & Testimony.

Hymn: *“This is my Father’s World”* (#16).

Announcements.

Hymn: *“How Great Thou Art”* (#2).

Dismissal for Children’s Church.

Greeting One Another.

Message: *“MORE SCRIPTURES THAT TODAY’S ELITES ABHOR.”*

Closing Hymn:\* *“Trust and Obey”* (#196).

Benediction.\*



*\*Please stand, if able.*



**Week of Oct. 6 – Oct. 12**

Sunday School—6; Morning Worship—15;

Midweek—5; Offering: \$906.<sup>50</sup>

Video (Facebook, Rumble, YouTube): *“Redemption”*—121 views;

Internet Archive Audio: OFFLINE this week; DDOS attacks brought site down!

Cover art: *“Stairway to Doom (alt. vers.),”* by Pastor Terry L. Reese

## ***“DID GOD – OR FATE – SAVE PRESIDENT TRUMP?”***

Pastor Terry L. Reese, Valley GBC of Armagh, PA; 10/11/24

*1 Sam. 6:9: “And watch: if it goes up the road to its own territory, to Beth Shemesh, then He has done us this great evil. But if not, then we shall know that it is not His hand that struck us—it happened to us by chance.”*

*“I believe God saved his life.”—Rev. Franklin Graham (BGEA, Samaritan’s Purse)*

*“My understanding of Christian theology makes me certain that God did not save the former president from assassination...”—Shane Claiborne (“Red-Letter Christian” leader)*

Two starkly opposite perspectives: Rev. Graham believes that Divine intervention saved President Trump from the assassin’s bullet at Butler—but the “progressive-evangelical” leader, Claiborne, is “*certain*” that God had *nothing* to do with it. According to Shane, FATE was Mr. Trump’s deliverer.

Likewise, View hostess Joy Behar ridiculed Mr. Trump’s public expression of gratitude to God for sparing his life, defining it as being presumptuous:

*“...you say something like, ‘God was watching me.’ That is a very unchristian thing to say because he’s very narcissistic.”*

We might interject here that if Behar were consistent in this line of reasoning, it would inevitably follow that thanking God for *anything* that transpires would constitute sinful “presumption.”

The above passage from 1 Samuel 6 was a favorite of Dr. R.C. Sproul in discussions involving the matter of sovereign Divine ordination lying beneath all events—*good, bad, or ethically indifferent* (Amos 3:6). The Philistine priests had established a “test” to determine whether or not Yahweh was behind the plague that had invaded their regions. The very fact that these men even considered it a POSSIBILITY that some events lay outside of God’s Providence and within the realm of blind fate or “*chance*” revealed one thing with certainty: these men were, at their very core, ATHEISTS. They met the definition of *atheists* because their conception of deity was FALSE; their “god” simply didn’t exist! If God truly IS GOD, then He is indeed SOVEREIGN, ordaining and presiding over ALL EVENTS!

**Do you believe in a SOVEREIGN God—the REAL God—or in some weak, finite—and UNREAL—alternative?**

## Holy Communion on Sunday, Oct. 20, at 2:00 PM.



Our Threefold Communion (consisting of the washing of feet, the Love Feast, and the Bread and the Cup) has been tentatively rescheduled for Oct. 20. Our Communion is open to all who are trusting in Christ for their salvation and desire to partake of the Ordinance in a reverent manner (1 Cor. 11:26-30).

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### MIDWEEK PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY: WED., 6:30 PM

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## 11 Scriptures

that today's elites would rather you NOT know!

- I. On BIBLICAL AUTHORITY—*2Tim. 3:16-17.*
- II. On WORLDLY WISDOM—*1Cor. 3:18-19.*
- III. On THE “MYTH OF PROGRESS”—*Ps. 51:5.*
- IV. On NATIONALISM vs. GLOBALISM—*Acts 17:26-27a.*
- V. STATISM vs. FREEDOM OF CONCIENCE—*Matt. 22:21.*
- VI. On the Prospect of CLIMATE CHANGE—*Isa. 51:3.*
- VII. On the PURPOSE OF SECULAR GOVERNMENT—*Rom. 13:4.*
- VIII. On ABORTION & THE RIGHT TO LIFE—*Luke 1:41.*
- IX. On MARRIAGE, HOMOSEXUALITY, & GENDER—*Matt. 19:4-6.*
- X. On the CHOSEN PEOPLE OF ISRAEL—*Gen. 12:3.*
- XI. ON TRUE FAITH—*John 6:28-29.*